

Attorney Docket No.: 0200109C1
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REMARKS

The present amendment is in response to the Office Action, dated July 19, 2004, where the Examiner has allowed claims 1-16, 32-36, 61-71, 75-77, 79, 81-84, 86, 88, 92, 93, 95-99, 101-105, 113, 117, 118 and 120, has rejected claims 78, 100, 115, 116 and 119, and has objected to claim 72. By the present amendment, claims 72, 77, 78 and 100 have been amended, and claims 115, 116 and 119 have been cancelled. Accordingly, claims 1-16, 32-36, 61-72, 75-79, 81-84, 86, 88, 92-93, 95-105, 113, 117, 118 and 120 are pending in the present application. Reconsideration and allowance of pending claims 1-16, 32-36, 61-72, 75-79, 81-84, 86, 88, 92-93, 95-105, 113, 117, 118 and 120 in view of the amendments and the following remarks are respectfully requested.

A. Claim Objection

The Examiner has objected to claim 72, because "(d) generating" in claim 72 should read --(e) generating--. By the present amendment, applicant has amended claim 72 to cure such informality. Applicant respectfully submits that the Examiner's objection has been overcome and claim 72 is now in condition for allowance.

B. Rejection of Claims 78 and 100 Under 35 USC §112, ¶ 2

The Examiner has rejected claims 78 and 100 under 35 USC §112, ¶ 2, because "said host signal processing circuitry" and "said clock rate" in claims 78 and 100, respectively, lack antecedent bases.

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By the present amendment, applicant has amended claims 78 and 100 to overcome the Examiner's rejection, as shown above. Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that claims 78 and 100 are now in condition for allowance.

C. Rejection of Claims 115, 116 and 119 Under 35 USC §103(a)

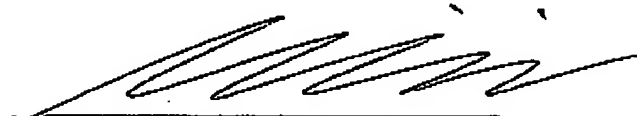
The Examiner has rejected claims 115, 116 and 119 under 35 USC §103(a) as being unpatentable in view of certain cited references. Applicant respectfully disagrees; however, in order to expedite the prosecution of the present application, applicant has cancelled claims 115, 116 and 119. Accordingly, applicant respectfully submits that the Examiner's rejection of claims 115, 116 and 119 has been rendered moot.

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D. Conclusion

For all the foregoing reasons, an early allowance of claims 1-16, 32-36, 61-72, 75-79, 81-84, 86, 88, 92-93, 95-105, 113, 117, 118 and 120 pending in the present application is respectfully requested.

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